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**EDITOR NOTES (by KB8NW):** Individuals continue to send impressive responses to my request of "DX IS (???)..... Is what?" (refer to OPDX.449) and I want thank the many who have. Keep your inputs coming. This will be the last week that I will ask for them.

There will "NOT" be an OPDX bulletins for August 14th and 21st. I know, you heard this before, but it is true this time. My wife (chief-proof reader) and I will be going to Las Vegas (without the young adults) for our 25th wedding anniversary (How did she put up with me all these years?) and to visit my Dad. I can really use the break!

Lastly, I want to send out a special thanks to John/K8YSE, Pete/N8TR, Bill/W8JGU, Clark/N8PZD, Carl/K8AV, Dave/WD8IOU and Ray/W8BIN for their help in getting my station back on the air, respectively, with a new Crushcraft X7 antenna. Without the technically knowledge of John/Pete/Bill, I did not think the antenna was going to make to the top of my tower (fighting the tree limbs, guide wires and the new mast pipe). It is great to know a super team like them..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

**4X85, ISRAEL (Special Event).** Look for special event station **4X85FUK** to be on the air celebrating the "**85th Esperanto Congress**" in **Tel Aviv** between **now and August 1st**. Suggested frequencies are: 7066, 14266, 21266 and 28766 kHz.

**A5, BHUTAN.** Charly, K4VUD, is looking for all/any radio amateurs from any country who may wish to join him in an effort to activate Bhutan during the **first week in December**. He can arrange your air travel from your home or from Kathmandu, or you can arrange your own travel. He expects to arrive in A5 about December 1st. He has a Bhutan contact person to arrange passage of rigs, licenses, and hotel rooms. This is not a cheap trip. The license alone may cost 300 USD EACH! If interested, contact Charly at: [k4vud@hotmail.com](mailto:k4vud@hotmail.com)

**A9, BAHRAIN.** The "DX News Letter" reports that Gus, **KH2/K4SXT**, has shut down his

activities from Nimitz Hill, Guam, and will be active from **A9** in **September**. Gus prefers the lowbands, especially 160 meters.

**AP2JZB CW-PIRATE**. Apparently a station signing AP2JZB on CW (on July 21st at 0230Z) has been active. AP2JZB's QSL Manager Leon, K2EWB, reports that this is a SLIM and AP2JZB does not now, nor has he ever operated CW! As a matter of fact he's up in Northern Pakistan on vacation at this time.

**C6, BAHAMAS**. Joe Pater, W8GEX, reports the team is ready to be active from **Berry Island** (IOTA NA-054) for the **IOTA contest** next weekend. The team will be active **July 27th through August 2nd** as **C6AJR** and **C6DX** during the contest. They will have four stations on the air. The team consists of Mike, K9AJ, a veteran of many DXpeditions including Heard Island. Mike, N9NS, was part of the recent Clipperton Island team. Jim, W9VNE, a FOC member, has worked many CW contests from VP5. Rick, K8WWA, is a very active dxer from the Cincinnati area and making his first DXpedition. Joe, W8GEX, has been on many DXpeditions and contest groups. This experienced team will be on 6m to 40m, CW, SSB, PKS and RITTY. QSL C6AJR and C6DX to W8GEX. SASE PLEASE.

**DU, PHILIPPINES**. Joe, **DU1/K7JOE** (ex-BV/N0IAT, 7J1AOF, etc), is now active for the **next two years** from **Manila**, Philippines. Joe is a high speed CW operator who tends to favor the WARC bands. 17 meters is his preference. QSL to the W7 QSL bureau.

**FO0, FRENCH POLYNESIA**. Phil, **KH7FQ**, is now active from **Huahine Island (OC-067)** as **FO0MCC**. He was heard last week on 17 meters SSB on or around 18145 kHz between 0230 and 0330z. Reports state that he will be there until September and be active on 80-10 meters.

**FS, SAINT MARTIN**. By the time you read this, Brian, N3OC, will be active from here as **FS/N3OC** between **July 24th and Aug 2nd**. Activity will be on SSB/CW/RTTY and all bands including 6 meters, the WARC bands and the **IOTA Contest**. QSL via N3OC.

**GM, SCOTLAND (Hebrides IOSA/IOTA Expedition)**. Andre, GM3VLB, will team up with Lorraine/MMOBCR, Alex/G(M)0DHZ and Andre's son Niall (recently VP8NJS) to activate a few Scottish island between **July 21st and August 4th**. The team will be based on **Harris/Lewis**. Weather permitting, they will activate **Killegray (OH-20)** and **Ensay (OH-21)** Islands during the period of **July 21st (PM) through July 26th (AM)**. Their next target will be **St. Kilda (OL-02/EU-059)** between **July 28-31st** (WX permitting). During the **IOTA Contest** they will use the callsign **GM5K** (Courtesy Pabay Radio Club, GM0PNS). Alex/G(M)0DHZ will be their "No. 1" CW operator with GM0VLB providing relief. At other times individual callsigns will be used. Following the St. Kilda operation further "surprise" operations may take place. The St. Kilda DXpedition will involve high costs due to its very remote/distant location out in the Atlantic. Currently, the team reports that so far no sponsorship has been offered/received as of this writing. QSL cards for contacts other than St. Kilda (via GM3VLB) should go to the respective operators. QSL cards without adequate return postage will not be replied to. For those unfamiliar with GM3VLB's QSL - reply system, please refer to his web site at: <http://www.IOSA.co.uk>

**IOTA NEWS.....**

- **AS-NEW.** A group of Sakhalin amateurs (RA0F...) will activate a new IOTA at the end of July from the **Island of Moneron**. Their activity will be on 20/15/10 meters and the WARC bands only. They are expecting to use the callsign **RK0FWL/p**. QSL via the RK0FWL CBA address, but in any event all QSOs will be confirmed through the bureau. ADDED NOTE: Eugene, RA0FF, reports that in the July/August of 1998, RK0FWL/p has already been worked from the Island of Moneron, but back then the island was not yet separate from Sakhalin (AS-018). Now that Moneron Island is a NEW IOTA, all relationships with RK0FWL/p for 1998 will be considered as NEW IOTA.
- **AS-066.** Look for Alex, RU0LL, to be active from **Putyatini Island** between **July 24th and August 1st**. They will also be active during the upcoming **IOTA Contest** using the special callsign **R0L**. Activity will be on HF (including the WARC), CW, RTTY and PSK. Other operators present will be RW0LZ, RW0LV, UA0CAL, RU0LL, RZ4HF and UA0LST. Check out Alex's WEB site for this event at: <http://www.qsl.net/r0l/>
- **AS-104.** Six Taiwanese Ops and two Japanese Ops will team-up and be active from **Kim Men Island**, Taiwan, from **July 28-30th**. They will use the callsign **BOOK** in the **IOTA Contest** and use **BO2/homecall** before and after the contest. The JA Op are JR7TEQ and JA1EFO, and they will fly to Kim Men Island via Taipei, Taiwan on the morning of the 28th.
- **EU-073.** Look for the Taranto A.R.I. Section members to sign **IJ7IJU** from **San Pietro Island** (IJ7) during the **last week of July**. They will be operating on 80-6 meters, CW/SSB/RTTY and VHF/ UHF-SSB. Also, they will operate in the **IOTA Contest**. QSL via IK7AFM, direct CBA or via the bureau or via E-mail: [roccoafm@libero.it](mailto:roccoafm@libero.it) confirming via ARI bureau.
- **EU-091.** Operators **IK7JWX/P**, **IK7FPX/P** and **IK6CAC/P** are expected to be active now from **Capezzone Island** (I.I.A. LE 004) on CW/SSB 10/15/20/40 meters. QSL via the bureau or direct (QRZ.COM addresses).
- **EU-092.** Operators (probable) Jim/MM0BQI, David/GM4WLL and Colin/GM0CLN are planning an expedition to the **Summer Isles** from **September 1-3rd**. The site will be on the island of **Tanera Mor** for which the various references are: IOTA - **EU092**, IOSA - SC10, WAB - NB90 and Maidenhead - IO78HA. They hoped to operate on both HF and VHF (hopefully all bands from 160m to 2m). They plan to be active during both the **HF SSB Field Day** and **144MHz Trophy contests**. Callsigns to be use are: **MM0BQI/P** on or near usual IOTA/IOSA frequencies; All HF CW and SSB on the WARC bands by **GM0CLN/P**; and SSB Field Day Contest **MM0BQI/P**. The special VHF callsign, **GB4XS**, has been applied for. If for any reason this callsign is not available they will use **GM4WLL/P**. OPDX InterNet Subscribers will receive the long press release as an additional bulletin.
- **EU-115.** **EI1DD** will be activated by the members of the Dalkey Island Contest Group during the **IOTA Contest**. Operators will include EI2CA, EI4FBB, EI5DI, EI5HD, EI6EW, EI7CC, EI7CD and EI8CE, and will be active from Enniskerry, Co. **Wicklow**. QSL is via the EI Bureau.
- **EU-128.** DF8QJ and Ray/DL6YFB will stay on **Fehmarn Island** for the **IOTA Contest** from **July 29-30th**. They will be active on 80-10 meters as **DL6YFB/p**. QSL via the German Amateur Radio Bureau or direct to DL6YFB's callbook address or E-mail at: [rlhmann@Cityweb.de](mailto:rlhmann@Cityweb.de)
- **EU-132.** Adam/DJ0IF, Zbig/SP6AZT, Big/SP6CZ and Andy/SP6ECA will be active from **Wolin Island** in the **RSGB IOTA Contest** as a Multi-Multi entry, callsign **SN6F/1**. Before the contest, **SP6CZ/1** will be active from this location on RTTY until the end of

the month and **SP6ECA/1** on SSB. QSL via home callsigns, SN6F/1 via SP6ECA. All cards for SN6F/1's contest activity '98 and '99 were sent via the bureau.

- **EU-148.** A group from the Framingham Amateur Radio Association will participate in the **IOTA Contest** from **George's Island** as a Multi-Operator entry signing **AA1IZ**. QSL via AA1IZ.
- **EU-153.** Vlad/RZ1OA and Dima/UA1OLM will be active as **RZ1OA/A** and **UA1OLM/A** from **Lyasomin Island** between **July 25th and August 1st**. QSL via RZ1OA: Vlad Sadakov, P.O. Box 48, Arkhangelsk, 163040, Russia.
- **EU-170.** Milan/OK1DJG, Martin/OK1FLM, Martin/OK1FUA, OK1PAT, Jaroslav/OK1TC, Petr/OK1UCI, Svetozar/OK1VEY and Nikola/9A9AA will be active as **9A0A** from **Vir Island** (IOCA CI-141) through the **IOTA Contest**. QSL via OK1FLM. They will operate as 9A/homecall before the contest from July 24th.
- **EU-183.** Pit, YO3JW, reports that the **YP1W** operation for next weekend has been **cancelled!** This is due to a quarantine in Danube Delta. The operation will be scheduled latter.
- **NA-065.** Caleb, AD7U, will be active in the **RSGB IOTA Contest** as **N7U** from **Whidbey Island** (USI WA-001S). His category will be Single Op/24-hour/IOTA Island Permanent station. QSL to AD7U via bureau or direct to: Caleb Skurdal, 1015 N Custer St, Oak Harbor, WA 98277-8201 USA.
- **OC-033.** FK8GM, FK8HC and VK4FW (all Life members of Oceanai Amateur Radio DX Group) will be operational from **Lifou Island**. Their callsign will be **TX8ISL**. QSL Manager is VK4FW, P.O. Box 929, GYMPIE, 4570, Australia. They will be on all bands on CW/SSB. Eric, FK8GM, reports that they will also be active with their home call, **FK8GM** and **FK8HC** from **OC-033** on all bands when they are not operating in the contest.
- **SA-020.** FY5FU and FY/F5AEG will be active from the **Phare de l'ile Royale** in **French Guyana** during the **International Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend August 19-20th**. QSL manager F5AEG.
- **SA-024.** Look for **ZV2S** and **PW2S** to be active from **Comprida Island** (DIB 21) **July 25-30th**. QSL Manager PY2ZY: POB 45.436, Sao Paulo-SP, 00479-970, Brasil.

Suggested frequencies:

- **CW** - 28040, 24920, 21040, 18098, 14040, 101114, 7030 and 3530
- **SSB** - 28560, 28460, 24950, 21260, 18128, 14260, 7-055 and 3765

Checkout the Web site: <http://dxpedition.cjb.net>

**ISLAND CHASERS WEB PAGE.** Chris, NK1K, informs OPDX that the "Islands on the Web" website has opened a new web discussion forum specifically for the **RSGB's IOTA contest**. This forum will be used to make announcements regarding islands that will be active during the contest. Additionally, the forum will give the IOTA community a place to post claimed scores for all to see following contest. The Web page is at: <http://www.islandchaser.com>

**KH5, PALMYRA.** Mike, KH6ND, has returned here and is again operating as **KH6ND/KH5**. His operating schedule is not yet known as Mike is again assisting "The Nature Conservancy" in its operation on the atoll. His length of stay has yet to be determined. He is expected to be active everyday on several bands. Activity so far has been on 20/15 meters CW generally between 1100 and 1230z (there was some activity around 0830z). QSL K4TSJ CBA. Tom, N4XP, also reports that it should be noted that some pirate activity did take place after Mike's



departure from the atoll last month.

## QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

- As reported last week, the "**GOLIST**" now has a new Web domain at: <http://www.golist.net> John, K1XN, reports this past week that coming soon will be a Windows Golist search program for accessing the "Golist Online QSL Manager Look Up Page". This Online database is updated daily with new/changed QSL routes.
- **QSL Manager change for DX station RZ9OU**. QSL to KF4OBL via the Bureau or direct to: Susan Driggers, 129 New Grade Road, Moncks Corner, South Carolina, 29461, USA ( <http://home.sc.rr.com/simplyinfo/kf4obl/> ) Please Notes: Please send SASE, SAE and 1 IRC, or 2 IRC's. Cards via the Bureau are OK. 100% Return QSL. Stamps of any country are accepted as donations.
- Vlad, RZ1OA, reports that he has received the **RZ1OA/P** and **UA1OLM/P** QSL cards, for their EU-066 operation from the printer and has started processing the direct requests.
- QSL the **S50E club station** to: Radio club Cerknò, P.O. BOX 16, 5282 Cerknò, Slovenia. To see lots of photos of the S50E clubs site that were taken during/after WRTC2000 in Bled, Slovenia (along with photos of all locations used by the other competitors) check out the S50E Web page for more information and details on how to receive two special WRTC2000 stamps at: <http://lea.hamradio.si/~s50e/eng/photos.htm>

**SPECIAL EVENT**. Look for the special event station **SN600UJ** to be active from **July 20th through October 20th**. The station will be celebrating the **600th anniversary of refounding of "Jagiellonian University"** in **Cracow**. They are expected to operate on all bands CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via SP9PKZ.

**SPECIAL EVENT**. Special event station **AX3OLY** has been allocated to the WIA Victoria by the Australian Communications Authority to commemorate the **Olympic Games being held in Sydney, Australia**. WIA Victoria members will be sporadically operating the station on DX bands over the next three weeks. The band of operation being chosen to coincide with the best propagation at the time. AX3OLY is being activated for the first time this week to mark the arrival of the Olympic flame in VK3 which is half way through its 100 day torch relay around Australia. The special event station will later highlight the holding of Olympic soccer games in the VK3 capital city of Melbourne, Australia, which also hosted the 1956 Olympic Games. A commemorative QSL card will be available. QSL is to VK3WI via the Bureau or the Callbook address.

**VE0NWP STATION**. The ship "Simon Fraser" is recreating the voyage of the ship "St. Roch" through the North West Passage. It was heard on Saturday at 0521z (band was not mentioned) from the **Aleutians Islands**. Check out the Web page: <http://www.stroch.org>

**XU7, CAMBODIA**. Jani, YB0US, has left Vietnam (**3W2US**) as of July 19th and is active as **XU7AAP** through **July 27th**. Watch for Jani on SSB and RTTY. He was spotted on 15/20 meters RTTY (14083 kHz as early as 1100z and as late as 1700z and 21083 kHz between 2230z and 0100z). QSL via N2OO.

**ZD8, ASCENSION ISLAND**. "The 59(9) DX Report" reports that Chris, G3WOS, will sign **ZD8SIX** starting **October 30th** on 6 meters.

**ZK1, SOUTH COOK.** Andy, **ZK1AND**, is active from **Rarotonga (OC-013)** for the next month. His activity has been mainly on 20 meters SSB around 14260 kHz between 0300 and 0500z, and again around 1030z. QSL via AB7FS.

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<http://www.en.com/users/k8yse/nodxa.html>

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